

CAREERS & PROGRESSION NEWSLETTER

THIS ISSUE

2nd February 2026

We're excited to share a range of opportunities to help you explore your future career path.

Discover virtual work experience with Springpod, TLT, ABP and Young Professionals, and apprenticeship opportunities with Tronox, ABP, Wilkin Chapman Rollits and Siemens. Take part in Gresham College masterclasses, medicine webinars with the Universities of Cambridge and Leicester, and subject tasters with Nottingham Trent University. Learn more about championing apprenticeships with Warner Bros. Discovery.

You'll also find university and training opportunities including PwC's Degree Flying Start programme, the Access to Sheffield programme, and Unlocked training with Eversheds Sutherland.

We hope you find something inspiring for your next steps!

Don't forget to complete the Google Form for your chance to win a £10 Amazon voucher

Many thanks,

The Careers Team

#SEEVOURFUTURE

CENTRE FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Fancy being in with the chance of winning a £10 Amazon voucher?

Complete [this](#) short feedback survey to be in the draw!

Highflyers

Taking place over lunch time your session is as follows:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Session</u> | <u>Room</u> |
|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| 4/2/26 | Growth Mindset | 50 |

Work Experience

If you are looking for or are interested in work experience opportunities, please email emma.heard@franklin.ac.uk for further information on how to apply or visit the CfPD office.

Careers Appointments

If you are unsure of your next steps or want some advice and guidance about courses, training, employment, or apprenticeships – please make a careers appointment.

If you need any help, please follow the guide on the next page, or email zofia.ciopcienski@franklin.ac.uk.

Social Media – Voluntary Work Experience Opportunity

Suzie's Sewing Studio

They are looking for someone to support them with Facebook/Instagram posts & help them grow their following.

<https://www.suziessewingstudio.com>

Facebook: Suzie's sewing studio

Instagram: @lovesuzie_shop

If anyone is interested, please reach out to Emma Heard in the CfPD department with a little bit of information about yourself & any experience you have with social media.

HETA Opening Evenings

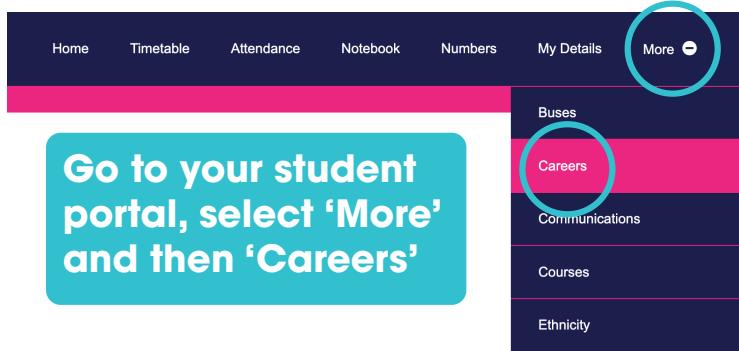
Join their Open Evenings for a first-hand look inside one of HETA's state-of-the-art training centres. Discover what life as an apprentice is really like, meet their expert instructors, and explore their fantastic facilities.

Book your space today!

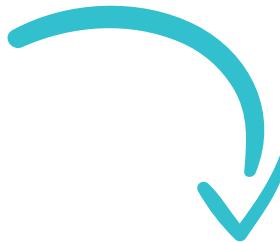
Please note booking is one ticket per applicant plus 2 parents/guardians

Taking place 12th February and 19th March 5pm and 6pm click [here](#) to book.

How to book a Careers Appointment



Fill in the information on the Careers Appointment Booking page



Careers Appointment

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Drop in advice sessions may be available - please contact College Services.

If you would like a careers appointment please complete all of the following fields:

What work history or work experience have you had?

Do you have any medical condition or other factor which may affect your career choice?

No Yes

If yes then please give details:

What are your interests / what do you do in your spare time?

Please tell me how I can help you.

Examples: I want to be an accountant; I am interested in doing a course in nursing.

Finally, what type of interview would you prefer?

Please Select



Book an appointment (not during lessons)

1. Select a date to see a list of available appointments (not today, at the weekend or in the past).



2. Select one of the available appointments (Red text represent slots where careers are available, but you are not).

-- Select Time --

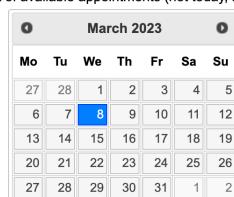
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Select the available appointment slot most convenient to you and book it!

WORK EXPERIENCE

Get into Law Virtual Work Experience evening with Young Professionals

Are you considering a career in law but unsure which route to take? Join us for our Get Into Law Workshop Evening, a special event where you will hear directly from leading law firms and legal experts about the different pathways into the legal profession through interactive workshops.

This event is designed for students exploring options such as legal apprenticeships, solicitor training contracts, and university pathways. Whether you are looking for an alternative to university or seeking clarity on the legal profession, this session will give you the information you need to make an informed decision about your future.

Taking place Monday 9th February 5pm- 6:30pm online register [here](#).

Virtual Work Experience with ABP

Step into the world of Associated British Ports (ABP) and discover how ports keep Britain trading. This virtual work experience programme gives you an inside look at trade, sustainability, safety, and careers in one of the UK's most vital industries. Through interactive modules, real-world examples, and practical insights, you'll learn how ABP connects the UK to global markets, supports the energy transition, and creates exciting career opportunities. Ready to explore what happens beyond the shoreline? It's time to board!

Launching 2nd March register your interest [here](#).

Virtual Work Experience with TLT

In partnership with Springpod we have launched a virtual work experience programme which provides an insight into a career in law and early career opportunities at TLT. We are hopeful that our virtual work experience offering will increase accessibility and allow for flexibility.

February 23rd click [here](#) to apply.

Spring pod Visual Work Experience

Unlock the door to in-person work experiences that take your career aspirations to new heights. Our virtual work experiences have already empowered thousands of students like you to explore diverse industries and gain valuable insights into their dream careers. Now, it's time to turn those insights into real-world action.

To get started click [here](#) to see what visual work experience is available

WILDER WORK EXPERIENCE



Lincolnshire
Wildlife Trust

Thinking about working
with wildlife or in nature
conservation?

Aged between 14 and 17?

Our Wilder Work Experience offers a challenging and enjoyable opportunity to gain new skills and meet like-minded people, as you gain experience within different areas of Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust's work.



What you will do:

- Practical conservation management
- Wildlife surveying
- Engaging with visitors to our reserves
- Producing media content



What skills you will gain:

- Time management & teamwork
- Communication and customer service skills
- Presentation skills
- Problem-solving and IT skills
- Planning and organisation skills



When and where

6th - 10 July 2026
Gibraltar Point National Nature Reserve,
Skegness

HOW TO APPLY



APPRENTICESHIPS

Engineering Apprenticeship with Tronox

Tronox are pleased to confirm that our Apprenticeship adverts are now live on the GOV site to apply

Tronox have x2 vacancies for a Level 3 Engineering Maintenance Technician Apprentice (Mechanical) to start September 2026.

Closing date is 25th March 2026 but please apply ASAP to enable the opportunity to receive an invite to the Employer Recruitment Event hosted by CATCH at Forest Pines on 19th Feb where applicants will get the opportunity to speak to Tronox and other employers around the opportunities available in the local area.

Click [here](#) to find out more and apply.

Apprenticeship Opportunities with ABP

Our apprenticeships range from marine pilot apprentices through to engineering and port operations to office and commercial careers, we've got what it takes to get you started – have you?

You don't need to wait to register your CV and interest in an apprenticeship with ABP. We will keep in touch and notify you when we have suitable opportunities, or events, to take your interest further.

Applications open February- March 2026 but you can register your CV [here](#).

Paralegal Apprenticeship Scheme with Wilkin Chapman Rollits

Looking to start a career in law and eager to get hands-on experience but don't want to go to university?

The Wilkin Chapman Rollits Paralegal Apprenticeship Scheme could be the perfect opportunity for you.

Our scheme is specifically designed for those who have completed their A Levels (or equivalent) and want to gain skills and experience in an office-based environment that offers a practical route into a future career and profession without the need to go to university.

Click [here](#) to find out more and how to apply.

Environment, Health and Safety Apprentice with Siemens

Join us at Siemens and kickstart your career in a place where innovation meets inclusion. Whether you're passionate about tech, people, sustainability, or strategy — we've got a role that will challenge and inspire you.

To find out more about this position and to apply click [here](#).



SCAN HERE

Want to
**WORK AT
TRONOX?**



**Check out
our Apprenticeship
vacancies**



TRONOX 

The Tronox company logo, consisting of the brand name in a bold, dark blue sans-serif font next to a green hexagonal symbol made of smaller hexagons.

NURSING APPRENTICESHIPS 2026

**Launch Event
Wednesday 11th February**



NHS

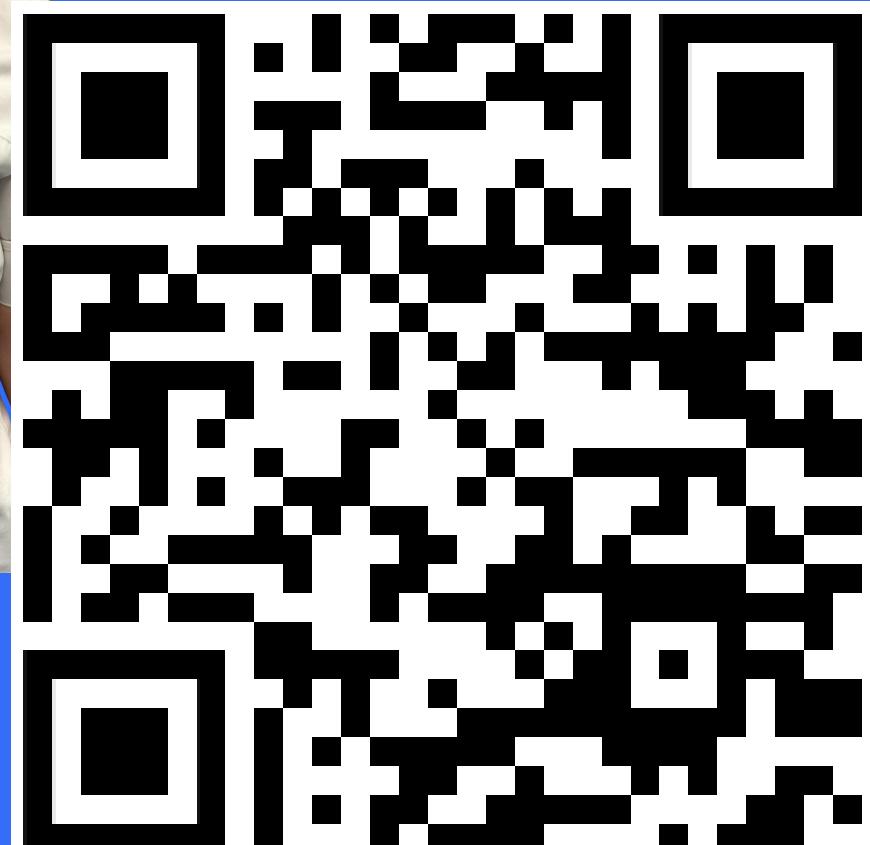
**Hull University
Teaching Hospitals
NHS Trust**

Part of the NHS Humber Health Partnership

**Public drop in
anytime between
4:00 and 7:00pm**

**Learning & Innovation Centre
(Under the Day Surgery Centre)
Entrance 3
Castle Hill Hospital
Cottingham HU16 5JQ**

Scan the QR for a map



**NATIONAL
APPRENTICESHIP
WEEK 2026**

A SPOTLIGHT

ON...

National Apprenticeship week 9-15 February 2026

What is National Apprenticeship week

National Apprenticeship Week brings together the entire apprenticeship community to celebrate everything that is amazing about apprenticeships.

What are Apprenticeships?

Apprenticeships are real jobs with real employers, allowing you to work, earn a salary and gain valuable qualifications and experience.

With over 700 different apprenticeship standards covering everything from accountancy to zoo keeping, there is an apprenticeship out there for everyone. Apprenticeships offer choice, opportunities, qualifications, support and a head start into a future career.

What are the different levels of apprenticeship?

Apprenticeship levels range from level 2 (foundation and intermediate) through to level 7 (master's level) covering a wide range of different job roles across all sectors.

The level of apprenticeship undertaken will depend on the needs of the employer and the job role, as well as the apprentice, their previous experience and qualifications held

How to Search and Apply

There are many exciting opportunities throughout the year to join apprenticeships and other technical education programmes. Follow these top tips to begin your search for an apprenticeship. Discover when and where to look, and how to stay informed about new vacancies.

- Visit Find an Apprenticeship via this [link](#)
 - Specialist Job sites
 - Direct with Employers
 - Social Media
 - Monthly Vacancies

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION



Access to Sheffield - applications open today

The University of Sheffield runs the Access to Sheffield programme for Year 12 and 13 students, designed to give a real taste of university life and help with decisions about higher education. There are five subject pathways to choose from—Arts & Humanities, STEM, Medicine, Dentistry, and Law—each including workshops, campus visits, summer schools, and guidance with UCAS applications. All participants benefit from skills-building activities, optional mentoring from current undergraduates, and free access to online study resources. The programme is aimed at students who meet widening participation criteria (such as being the first in their family to attend university, receiving free school meals, or having experience of care) and who are on track to meet the academic requirements for their chosen pathway. Completing the programme can also lead to a reduced ("contextual") offer for a place at the University of Sheffield.

More information can be found [here](#).

Medicine Virtual Taster Lecture- Diabetes with University of Leicester

In this session you will explore the differences between type 1 and type 2 diabetes, the causes, symptoms and treatments of both variations of this chronic disease.

Taking place Tuesday 3rd February 6pm- 7:30pm click [here](#) to find out more.

Unlocked: a training program for students with Eversheds Sutherland

Are you in year 12, S5 or your first year at college and wondering what direction to go in? Do you have an interest in law but are unsure what a career in law would involve? Our Unlocked Programme is the perfect answer. This innovative programme is aimed at students who have academic potential and an interest in law, but who may believe that a legal career is out of their reach. We're here to prove that it isn't.

Applications are open but the deadline to apply is Saturday 7th February to find out more and apply click [here](#)

PwC Flying Start Degree Programmes

The Flying Start degree programmes offer you the opportunity to start a career and gain a degree at the same time. Whether it's accounting or business management, you can earn a salary and fast-track your career while studying for your chosen subject. Whichever programme you choose, you'll work on a range of projects in a culture that embraces difference and encourages you to think imaginatively. At PwC, they want you to feel challenged, to grow and to thrive. You'll have the opportunity to make an impact, being the difference to clients from day one.

Click [here](#) for more information.

